Transport of food grains.

205. *MR. C. K. SANKARA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have advertised for any suitable contract agency for the transport of food grains from outside Travancore?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: No.

Transport of food grains.

206. *MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) who is in charge of transporting food grains belonging to Government in Travancore; and

(*b*) is the transporting done under the direction and supervision of the Director of Food Supplies in any part of Travancore?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: (*a*) The District Magistrate on Special Duty, Quilon, is in charge of all arrangements relating to the transport of imported foodgrains in the State. In regard to local paddy, the transport arrangements are made by the State Food Grains Purchase Officer.

(*b*) No.

Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon of Public Health, Kottayam.

207. *MR. K. R. NARAYANAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of times the Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon of Public Health, Kottayam District inspected the centres of Thalayolaparambu, Anikkad, Kuruppamthara, Kuthiathodu, Ankamali and Puthencursu in 1119?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: (*Director of Public Health*):

	Centres.		*Number of visits by the Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon of Public Health, Kottayam, during 1119.*
1.	Thalayolaparambu	...	12
2.	Anikkad	...	10
3.	Kuruppamthara	...	9
4.	Kuthiathodu		7
5.	Ankamali	...	6
6.	Puthencursu	...	7

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN: ലേഡി സബ് അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് സർജന്റെ ഉദ്യോഗ ജോലി എന്താണെന്നു പറയാമോ?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: The Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon visits rural midwifery centres, gives them instructions, inspects their registers and also enquires into the maternity and child welfare in the locality.

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MR. K. R. NARAYANAN : ലേഡി സബ് അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് സർജൻ ഫ്ലൂറൻ-ൽ ആകെ 51 ദിവസം മാത്രമാണ പരിശോധന നടത്തിയിട്ടുള്ളത് എന്ന കാണുന്നു. ബാക്കിയുള്ള ദിവസങ്ങളിൽ അവർക്ക് മറ്റ് ജോലി എന്താണെന്ന പറയുമോ?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI : Althongh she has visited only 51 times, she has spent over 105 days on inspection in mofussil areas.

MR. K. R. NARAYANAN : അവർ സാധാരണ ഇൻസ്പെക്ഷന പോകുന്നോഠം ആഫീസിലേയ്ക്ക പ്രോഗ്രാം അയച്ചുകൊണ്ടാണോ പോകാറുള്ളത്?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI : The programme is usually sent to the District Health Officer.

Deaths caused by dysentery.

208. ✻MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN (*Neyyattinkara* cum *Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state the number of deaths caused by dysentery in Chirayinkil taluk in 1119 ?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: The number of deaths caused by dysentery and diarrhoea in Chirayinkil taluk during the first three quarters of 1119 is 95.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN : May I know the reasons for the outbreak of diseases.

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI : This is a perennial phenomenon. Dysentery is endemic in the coastal areas of Travancore.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN : May I know the measures that the Government have adopted for relief.

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI : Infected houses were visited both by the Sanitary Circle Officer and the Sanitary Assistant. The water supply of the infected houses is disinfected. Dysentery-phage which is a curative bacterial preparation was administered to the patients.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN : May I know whether the milk is supplied in the affected areas ?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI : We have imported milk and in cases where it is needed milk is supplied.

MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN : May I know whether there is any necessity for revising the rice ration in these areas ?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI : Between supply of rations and the incidence of dysentery, I am sorry I do not find any relation.

MR. C. K. SANKARA PILLAI : May I know from the honourable member whether want of sufficient food is the reason for the outbreak of dysentery ?

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